initiate a read of prefetch data in response to a request for prefetch data;

before completion of the read of prefetch data, receive a request for demand data; and

satisfy the request for demand data by providing at least a portion of the prefetch data prior to completing the reading of all of the prefetch data.

15. **(Twice Amended)** An apparatus comprising:

a memory which stores executable instructions; and

a processor which executes the instructions to:

initiate a read of prefetch data in response to a request for prefetch data;

prior to completion of the read, receive a request for demand data; and

satisfy the request for demand data by providing at least a portion of the prefetch data prior to completing the reading of all of the prefetch data.--